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DEFENCE PACT WITH NIGERIA
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has signed a new Defence pact with Nigeria recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the manner in which both the countries are likely to be benefited by the Defence pact?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (c): A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Defence Cooperation was signed with the Federal Republic of Nigeria on 15th October, 2007. This would facilitate defence cooperation through exchange of experience and knowledge for mutual benefit of two countries. The MoU contains provisions for exchange of expertise in military training and information technology, facilitate contact and cooperation between defence related agencies, institutions and industries, exchange of visits of personnel, ships and aircrafts, joint exercise and training and collaboration in other spheres of defence cooperation for mutual benefit.